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We claim:

- 1. A method for forming a decorative window muntin, said method comprising the steps of:
 - a) cutting a polymeric material into a desired configuration;
 - b) coating the polymeric material; and
 - c) heating the polymeric material.
- 2. The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein cutting a polymeric material into a desired configuration comprises the step of cutting a sheet of polystyrene.
- 3. The method as claimed in claim 1 wherein coating the polymeric material comprises spray painting the polymeric material with a latex paint.
- 4. The method as claimed in claim 1 further comprising the step of placing the polymeric material between two panes of glass.
- 5. The method as claimed in claim 5 further comprising the step of hermetically sealing the two panes of glass.
 - The product made by the method of claim 1.

A window comprising:

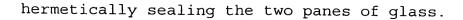
two panes of glass and a decorative muntin, said muntin including an end, said muntin comprising a coating layer, said muntin sandwiched between said panes of glass and hermetically sealed therein.

3. The window as claimed in claim 7 further comprising an aluminum pin, said pin positioned on said end of said muntin.

The window as claimed in claim 7 wherein said muntin is polystyrene and said coating layer is latex paint.

10. A method for making a decorative window muntin, said method comprising the steps of:

- a) cutting a polymeric material into a desired configuration;
- b) cleaning the cut polymeric material;
- c) coating the cleaned polymeric material; and
- d) baking the polymeric material.
- The method as claimed in claim 10 wherein cutting a polymeric material into a desired configuration comprises the step of cutting a planar sheet of polystyrene.
- The method as claimed in claim 10 wherein cleaning the cut polymeric material comprises the step of wiping the cut polymeric material with alcohol.
- The method as claimed in claim 10 wherein coating the cleaned polymeric material comprises spraying the polymeric material with a latex paint.
- 16. The method as claimed in claim 10 further comprising the step of placing the polymeric material between two panes of glass.
- The method as claimed in claim 1/2 further comprising the step of



16. The method as claimed in claim 16 further comprising the step of placing a pin the cut polymeric material.

The method as claimed in claim 16 wherein placing a pin comprises the step of placing an aluminum pin.

18. A muntin for use in a window comprising a non-metal, planar member, said planar member conforming to the window, and a coating, said coating covering said planar member, wherein said coating prevents the escape of volatiles from said planar member upon heating.

19. The muntin of claim 18 formed from polystyrene.

- 20. The muntin of claim 18 wherein said coating is latex paint.
- 21. The muntin of claim 18 formed from wood.
- 22. The muntin of claim 18 formed from polyurethane.